10. Khageria Distt. Bihar	Civil Sector
11. Machilipatnam, A.P.	—do—
12. A.G. Gwalior, M.P	—do—
13. Sirsa, Haryana	—do—
14. Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	—do-
15. Gopalpur Cantt., Orissa	Defence Sector
16. Delhi Cantt, No. IVDelhi	—do—
17. NTPC Gandhar Gas Project, Gujarat	Project Sector
i *i.* Gas Authority of India Ltd., Jhabua, Madhya Pradesh	—do—

***Inquiry* against Joint Commissioner (Admn.) K.V.S.**

4126. SHRI NARAIN PRASAD GUPTA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that no preliminary enquiry has been ordered/initiated against Joint Commissioner (Administration) of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan following allegations made against him through Memorandum submitted to him early this month; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) One of the demands in the 25-point charter of Demands submitted by the Joint Action Committee of Employees Associations is the institution of an enquiry against the Joint Commissioner. Although the demand has not been accepted in the meeting between the Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and the representatives of the employees, further consideration is being given to this demand.

Fake Degrees and Marksheets

4127. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of lake university degrees and mark-sheets obtained by unlawful means are in circulation in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that Rajasthan Government has drawn the attention of the University Grants Commission to this effect:

(c) what steps are being taken by the University Grants Commission and other concerned authorities to check and curb this menace; and

(d) whether any fake university or institution has been detected so far which is operating in the country and issuing fake testimonials at exorbitant prices?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) The University Grants Commission have in formed that a few instances of circulation of fake university degrees and marksheets obtained by unlawful means have come to their notice.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The University Grants Commission have accepted the blowing suggestions made by Government of Rajasthan :

(f) making deterrent provision in Penal law;

(ii) providing watermark in degrees, diplomas, marksheets, certificates etc; and

(iii) evolving a system of verification/ counter-signing of such documents when presented for the purpose.

The Uaivers'ty Grants Commission feel that Universities should make stringent rules to prevent such activities and should initiate legal action against person involved in such activities.

(d) The University Grants Commission have notified a list of 32 self-styled Universities in the country which operate in violation of the provisions of the UGC Act. 1956. The Association of India Universities have informed that students, teachera and others are advised about the status of these fake Universities.

Awards given by Lalit Kala Academy

4128. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Lalit Kaia Akademi have given away awards to some artists and sculptors of the country and foreign countries during February, 1994;

(b) if so, the names of awards winner separately for India and abroad, country-wise with criteria fixed in this regard;

(c) whether selection of artists for these awards is done by some jury at International level;